

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Application Ranking Summary

BBT Forest – General

<b>Program:</b>	<b>Ranking Date:</b>	<b>Application Number:</b>
<b>Ranking Tool:</b> BBT Forest – General		<b>Applicant:</b>
<b>Final Ranking Score:</b>		<b>Address:</b>
<b>Planner:</b>		<b>Telephone:</b>
<b>Farm Location:</b>		

National Priorities Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
Clean and Abundant Water: Water Quality - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
1. a. Meet regulatory requirements relating to animal feeding operations, or proactively avoid the need for regulatory measures?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. b. Reduce sediment, nutrients or pesticides from agricultural operations located within a field that adjoins a designated impaired water body?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
1. c. Reduce sediment, nutrients or pesticides from agricultural operations located within a field that adjoins a water body?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Clean and Abundant Water: Water Conservation - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
2. a. Increase groundwater recharge in identified groundwater depletion areas ( <a href="http://water.usgs.gov/ogw/rasa/html/TOC.html">http://water.usgs.gov/ogw/rasa/html/TOC.html</a> )?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. b. Conserve water from irrigation system improvements and result in estimated water savings of at least 5% and saved water will be available for other beneficial uses?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. c. Conserve water in an area where the applicant participates in a geographically established or watershed-wide project?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Clean Air: Treatment of Air Quality from Agricultural Sources - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
3. a. Meet regulatory requirements relating to air quality or proactively avoid the need for regulatory measures?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. b. Reduce green house gases such as methane, nitrous oxide, and volatile organic compounds (VOC)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. c. Increase carbon sequestration?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
High Quality, Productive Soils Erosion Reduction - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
4. a. Reduce erosion to tolerable limits (Soil "T")?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Healthy Plant and Animal Communities Wildlife Habitat Conservation - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
5. a. Benefit threatened and endangered, at-risk, candidate, or species of concern as identified in a State wildlife plan?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. b. Retain wildlife and plant benefits on land exiting the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP)?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
High Quality, Productive Soils, Healthy Plant and Animal Communities: Special Environmental Efforts/Initiatives - Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
6. a. Eradicate or control noxious or invasive species?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. b. Increase, improve or establish pollinator habitat?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. c. Implement precision agricultural methods?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. d. Properly dispose of animal carcasses?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. e. Implement an Integrated Pest Management plan?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Energy Conservation – Will the proposed project assist the producer to:	
7. a. Reduce energy consumption on the agricultural operation?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
7. b. Increase on-farm energy efficiency with more efficient equipment?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

7. c. Assist in implementing energy conservation measures that reduce emissions from GHGs and air pollutants?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Business Lines - Conservation Implementation Additional Ranking Considerations - Will the proposed project result in:	
8. a. Implementation of all planned conservation practices within three years of contract obligation?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
8. b. Improvement of existing conservation practices or conservation systems already in place at the time the application is accepted, or will complete an existing conservation system?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
Does the applicant meet the following conditions:	
9. a. If the applicant has an existing EQIP contract, has it been, and is it now, on schedule and in full compliance?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
9. b. Did the applicant successfully complete any past contract(s) in full compliance?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
9. c. Is this the applicant's first EQIP application?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

#### State Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
1. 1. Will 3 or more SWAPA elements be treated through this EQIP contract?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. 2. Will all contracted practices be management, vegetative or non-engineering type practices, or if engineering practices are included will the participant supply the engineering design certified by a licensed professional engineer? .....(This includes producer-selected TSP designs)	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. 3. Will practices be implemented to treat surface water quality concerns in a planning unit that is immediately adjacent to a 303d listed (category 4 or 5) waterbody, as shown on the WA DOE web-based map? ( <a href="http://apps.ecy.wa.gov/wqawa/viewer.htm">http://apps.ecy.wa.gov/wqawa/viewer.htm</a> )	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. 4. Will the initial contract length be limited to 5 years or less?)	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. 5. Will contracted practices assist the producer in complying with AFO/CFO, Tribal or Forest Practices Act laws and regulations, or the Food Quality Protection Act?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. Is applicant certified as Socially Disadvantaged, Beginning, or Limited Resource Farmer/Rancher?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

#### Local Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
Forest Application Category --- select all that apply	
33. 1. Forest Application Category ..... Will a practice be installed to address road runoff, sedimentation within 1000 feet of a salmonid bearing streams? ..... Grant points if there is sufficient indication that forest (private, non-industrial) access roads are delivering sediment directly or indirectly to salmonid-bearing streams and will meet Washington NRCS access road qualification standards. Evaluation may be based on the applicant's Road Maintenance and Abandonment Plan, aerial photography, topographic maps, and applicant interview. 85 Point(s)	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
34. 2. Forest Application Category..... Does the applicant agree to apply forest stand improvement on the proposed contract acres? 85 Point(s)	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
35. 3. Forest Application Category ..... Does the applicant agree to establish trees native to the site on a minimum of 5 acres or the entire acreage if planning unit is less than 5 acres? 10 Point(s)	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
36. 4. Forest Application Category.....Will vegetative re-establishment practices be applied in riparian area to benefit surface water quality?..... Grant points if the application includes a buffer practice that will provide a water quality benefit. Practices include tree & shrub planting and critical area plantings. 85 Point(s)	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
37. 5. Forest Application Category..... Does applicant have an existing, current Forest Stewardship Plan or is the planning unit less than 20 acres in size. 40 Point(s)	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
38. 6. Forest Application Category..... A Pest Management plan will be applied to address ground and surface water quality and air quality in forest land. Grant points to applications implementing an IPM plan. (Include Pest Management for 1 year only) 25 Point(s)	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
39. 7. Forest Application Category..... Contracted practices will be funded only with NRCS cost share and landowner contribution. 50 Point(s)	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
40. 8. Forest Application Category.....Will practices be implemented to treat forest disease or insect epidemics commonly found in central Washington (spruce budworm, mistletoe, or bark beetles)? Grant	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

points to land units containing Disease or insects outbreaks in at least 10% of the stand and pose a significant threat to overall forest health and productivity. Qualifying forests must provide documentation from a professional forester (Forest Stewardship Plan, TSP, or NRCS approval). 50 Point(s)	
41. 9. Forest Application Category.....Will forest stand improvement be applied to aspen stands greater than 1 acre in size? Or will Riparian Forest Buffer be implemented? (300 tree or shrub minimum) 75 Point(s)	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
42. 10. Forest Application Category.....Will habitat piles be developed for wildlife? 35 Point(s)	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

**Land Use:**

Resource Concerns	Practices
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**Ranking Score**

Efficiency:  Local Issues:  State Issues:  National Issues:  <b>Final Ranking Score:</b>
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This ranking report is for your information. It does not in any way guarantee funding. When funding becomes available, you will be notified if your application is selected for funding. Some changes to the application may be required before a final contract is awarded.

Notes:

<b>NRCS Representative:</b>  <b>Signature Date:</b>	<b>Applicant Signature Not Required on this report for Contract Development unless required by State policy:</b>  <b>Signature Date:</b>
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